

REMARKS

This preliminary amendment is filed before the mailing of the first Office action in the present application. No claims have been amended herein. The amendments to the specification and drawings are made to correct typographical errors therein. No new matter has been added to the application. This preliminary amendment was not filed for reasons of patentability.

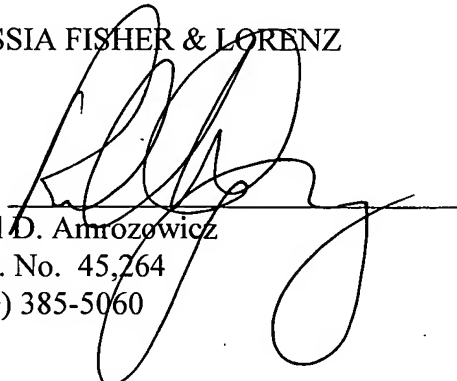
With the above-referenced changes, it is believed that the application is in a condition for allowance. If the Examiner has any comments or suggestions that could place this application in even better form, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned attorney at the below-listed number.

If for some reason Applicants have not requested a sufficient extension and/or have not paid a sufficient fee for this Preliminary Amendment and/or for the extension necessary to prevent abandonment on this application, please consider this as a request for an extension for the required time period and/or authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 50-2091 for any fee which may be due.

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